**Dream Vacation Project**

Congratulations! You are going on a dream vacation sponsored by the Fairfield High School Business Department. You will be working individually to plan your dream vacation. The object is to plan an exciting trip to a non-English speaking country, without going over your budget of **$4,000.**

1. Choose 1 travel destination country (minimum of 3 separate cities within the country)
2. All travel must span a MINIMUM of 4 days
3. You must use ACTUAL flight, hotel, food, and transportation cost data
4. ALL project documents must be submitted to receive credit
5. You should be careful to make appropriate document connections
6. Expenses for the Expenditure Report must be calculated based on ONE PERSON

**Documents to submit**—*You are responsible for creating the following 11 documents for the project*

1. **Passport**—Outline the steps to get a passport to your destination(s). Include any associated costs. Tell whether or not any of your destinations require a visitor’s visa, immunizations (which ones), or AIDS/HIV testing. Prepare this document in Microsoft Word and save it as **Passport**
2. **Travel Itinerary**—Include actual flight information and dates and times of all departures and arrivals (see APPENDIX B). Include all hotels, restaurants, and all places of interest (with address and phone number). Prepare this document in Microsoft Word and save it under filename **Travel.**
3. **Phrase Book**—Prepare a phrase book in Microsoft Word. Translate the commonly used phrases in APPENDIX E into the predominant spoken language of your travel destination. Make the document look attractive. You may use tables or column formatting. Use clipart or a graphic from the Internet that is associated with your foreign country. Save this document as **Phrase.**
4. **Expenditure Report—**Prepare an expenditure report in Microsoft Excel and save it as **Expense**. Include in this report all daily expenses—airfare, limousine/taxi/rental car or other ground transportation expense, meals, hotel, recreation and sightseeing costs
5. **Map of Travel Route**—Import from the internet, into Publisher, a map of the countries involved in your travel. Trace your travel route, step by step, in a contrasting color using autoshapes. Draw a rectangle around the major cities visited. Save this document as **Map.**
6. **Currency Exchange Rate Chart**—Prepare a spreadsheet in Excel and bar chart that compares the currency exchange rates of the United States dollar, the currency of your travel destination, and the currency of one other country on 5 different dates. Use dates that fall between the project start date and end dates. Use the title “Currency Exchange Rate for \_\_\_\_(Name of Country\_\_\_\_. Label your data labels on the X-axis with the dates that data is gathered. Use a legend for the U.S. Dollar and foreign currencies (see APPENDIX D), and name them. Save this as **Currency.**
7. **Travel Flyer**—Create an inviting flyer advertising the trip you are taking for your dream vacation. Prepare this document in Publisher. Use lots of color and graphics. State the name of your travel destination country, all 3 travel cities, the total cost of the trip, trip duration (how many days and nights), and departure and return dates. Include names of major hotels and restaurants involved. Make us all want to join you on the trip. Save this document as **Flyer.**
8. **Cultural Synopsis**—Prepare a 1-2 page synopsis in Word on the culture of one of your major travel destinations. Be sure to include the following information: population, spoken languages, predominant religion, major exports/imports, paper currency and coins (name and relate to U.S. money denominations), weather during the summer months (June, July, August), and at least one social custom different from the United States. Save this document as **Culture**.
9. **Places of** Interest-Prepare a description in Word of 5 places of interest you will see and experience during your travels. Descriptions must be a **minimum of 5 sentences** for each place of interest. Places of interest must NOT BE CITIES. Import from the Internet pictures of the 5 places. Save this document as **Places**.
10. **Title Page**—Prepare a title page in Word, which includes your name, the destination country and city, “Dream Vacation Project” as the title, the name of the course (Advanced Computer Applications), the school semester and year (i.e. Fall, 2012), and Internet pictures from your travels (minimum of 3). You may also use pictures of the country’s currency. Save as **Title.**

**APPENDIX A**

SOME HELPFUL INTERNET SEARCH TOOLS

Directories (use keyword) and Search Engines (use subject) that operate independently:

1. Alta Vista <http://www.altavista.com>
2. Excite <http://www.excite.com>
3. Hotbot <http://www.hotbot.com>
4. InfoSeek <http://www.infoseek.com>
5. LookSmart <http://www.looksmart.com>
6. Northern Light <http://www.nothernlight.com>

Directories and Search Engines that operate ineteractively (use keyword or subject)

1. Magellan <http://www.magellan.com>
2. OneKey http://[www.onekey.com](http://www.onekey.com)
3. Google <http://www.google.com>

Multi-Search Engines (“meta engines”) that use a number of search engines at once

1. Inference Find <http://www.infind.com>
2. All-in-one <http://www.allonesearch.com>
3. Dogpile <http://www.dogpile.com>
4. Mamma <http://www.mamma.com>
5. Metacrawler <http://www.metacrawler.com>
6. Metafind <http://www.metafind.com>
7. SavvySearch <http://www.savvysearch.com>

**APPENDIX B**

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KATHRYN BARNES

May 3, 2013 TO May 5, 2013

CHICAGO TO BOSTON

**Friday, May 3**

8:30 a.m. Leave Chicago American Airlines Flight #347 Breakfast

10:40 a.m. Arrive Boston

(Boston Time) Taxi to Tremont Plaza Hotel

(Confirmation #S783012)

2:00 p.m. Meeting with Lum Video, Inc.

Executive Limosuine all day

678 Boylston Street

(864-8251)

**Saturday, May 4**

9:00 a.m. Meeting with Lum Video, Inc.

Executive Limousine all day

1:00 p.m. Meeting with Lacey Disk Company

9 Fremont Avenue

(755-3929)

7:30 p.m. Dinner meeting One Sutter Place

Association of Entrepreneurs

**APPENDIX E**

***Phrase Book***

*Greetings* ***C:\Users\boehnek\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary Internet Files\Content.IE5\NOV60890\MP900442432[1].jpg***

Hello

Good Morning

My name is

How are you?

Thank you very much

What is your name?

Do you speak English?

I don’t understand

You’re welcome

Good-bye

Excuse Me